

REMARKS

Please enter the accompanying Declaration of Mark Boles. This declaration is submitted pursuant to Rule 132. It is respectfully submitted it is relevant to and prohibitive of nonobviousness of the invention.

In particular, it addresses the state of the art relevant to raking and baling by somebody having decades of experience with the same. It compares the problems associated with baling stalks and stubble to that of raking hay, which is pertinent to the Applicant's invention.

It also reviews differences between the claimed invention and the Examiner's combination of prior art used to reject the claims.

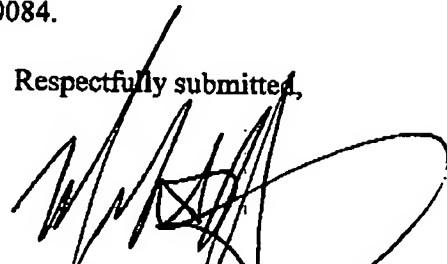
It also addresses the long felt need but unsolved solution, a factor under an obviousness analysis.

This declaration is submitted in support of patentability of Applicant's claims. Under the case of *Stratoflex, Inc. v. Aeroquip Corp.*, 713 F.2d 1530, 218 U.S.P.Q. 871, 879 (Fed. Cir. 1983), evidence arising out of secondary considerations, such as long felt need, must be considered in determining the issue of obviousness of a claim under 35 U.S.C. § 103. In short, the evidence of record is respectfully submitted to establish the failure of others to apply the technology of Applicant's claims, in the arrangement and manner set forth in the claims, though round balers and wheel rakes have been known in the art.

No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any

additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Respectfully submitted,


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